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TO MY OWN.

BY EDWIN L. SABIN. he squirrel lies bid in his hollow tree, All wrapped in his long, soft tail; he rabbit is snuggled as snug can be In his home 'neath the old fence rail;

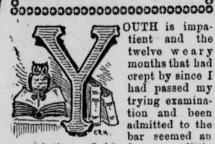
he partridge is only a bunch of down They in the forest and we in the town, Husb, my honey-boy, husb. The field-mouse curls in a velvet ball

Far under the dead swamp grass; In his hole by the frozen waterfall The mink dreams oft of the bass And every chick of the ground and air Is cuddled in haven deep— So here, in the glow of the firelight fair,

The north wind romps with the whirling snow;
Sly Jack Frost noses about;
Dut wood and field are abod—for no,
Not even the owl is out.

warm, And motherkin's arms are tight, Safe from the snow and the frost and storm, Good-right, honey-boy, good-night. —Saturday Evening Post.

A LAWYER'S STORY.



OUTH is impatient and the trying examination and been admitted to the fidently: bar seemed an

eon of time. I hired a cozy little shall be through no fault of mine." office in a building filled with scores of prominent law firms. After ar-ranging my morary, I and left me, thinking deeply.

During the interview I had learned ranging my horary, I During the interview I had learned nailed up a new sign among the rest that the deceased had no scar upon

Among the many brilliant lights of the day my own name passed unnoticed

was waiting for something to turn up.

The small capital with which I had started was dwindling away at an alarming pace and, as yet, I saw no prospective fee.

One pleasant afternoon Stanley tain poison. Ferris, a young lawyer, who, like my-self, was unwillingly idle, dropped in

"What news, Jack?" he asked, carelessly.

"Same as usual," I replied, de spondently. "I've a notion to pack off in the wilderness for a few weeks. | the same deadly poison with which he Everybody is out of town, and there had killed his victim. is little prospect of picking up a fee until they return.'

My friend was about to reply when there came a low tap at the

"Come in," I said, carelessly, thinking it some chance acquaint-

As the door opened my heart gave a great bound. I felt that my longlooked-for client had arrived at last. At a single glance I took in all the details of my visitor's appearance. He was a middle-aged man, dressed in plain costume, and with a seeminggood-natured face. Most men would have set him down at once as a jolly, open-hearted individual; but I did not. My constant attendance at the courts had taught me much. There was something underlying his oily smile and obsequious manner

that made me distrust him. "Is this Mr. Burns?" he asked blandly.

I bowed in the affirmative and re quested him to be seated. Stanley left the room at that moment, and the stranger continued: "My name is Brown, sir-Martin

Brown. I have called upon you in a case of emergency. "In what way can I be of service?"

"My friend, who is in a dying con-

dition, wishes you to draw up a will at once. I seized my hat and hurriedly fol-

lowed my visitor. In the elegantly furnished room of a hotel we found the mau.

Owing to the heavily darkened room, I could distinguish nothing of his features. He lay with his fa turned toward the wall, and in feeb. tones dictated the terms of his will,

as I drew it up. I accomplished my task to his satis faction, and placed the document before him to sign. As he did so I

noticed a deep red scar running across the back of his hand. The whole of the dying man's property—an immense one, by the way-was left to his dear friend, Martin Brown. Two of the servants had been called

in to witness the signature, and everything was performed according to law. As I left the house the smiling Mr. Brown handed me my fee. It was a beggarly amount—the more so from quiries I related the circumstances.

from his appearance."

young lady, dressed in deep mourning, called upon me. This time I had a case in reality. She was not more rds she stated her business, the names until she had

ncle had left home n he called his he had been

Two years before her uncle had made a will making her, his only living relative, his sole heiress.

On her arrival in the city, however, she had been shown a will drawn up by her uncle on his death-bed, in which he left his entire property to his friend.

She could conceive of no reason for such a strange act, and, distrusting the friend, had sought out a lawyer. Luckily she was unacquainted with the names of our distinguished lawyers. My glaring gold sign had been the first to catch her eye, and so she called upon me.

"The case certainly looks suspi-cious," I remarked. "I think I will be able to make a fight in your behalf. Now, will you kindly furnish me with the names of these parties?"

"My uncle, sir, was Andrew Thurber. His friend calls himself Martin Brown.

Involuntarily my pen dropped from my surprised fingers. It was the very will I had drawn up myself. She turned pale as Irelated the cir-

cumstances and arose to leave. "I see I have made an awkward mistake in calling upon you," she said, sadly.

"Wait one moment," I replied, twelve weary quickly. "This Martin Brown is a months that had total stranger to me. If he has been crept by since I engaged in an act of villainy I shall had passed my not shield him."

We entered into a close conversation, at the end of which I said, con-"Leave the case to me. If I fail it

She accepted my offer with thanks

and waited for my clients to appear. his right hand. Now, certain of vil-It soon became a sad trial of pallainy in the affair, I set to work dililainy in the affair, I set to work diligently to find it out.

Working cautiously, I found the man who had lain the body out for burial. From him I learned that he Day after day, and month after had performed his task on the morn-nonth, I attended the courts or ing of June 23, just ten hours before passed the time in perusing cele- I was called upon to draw up the will. brated trial cases. Like Micawbar, I The will had been already offered for probate, so there was no time to be lost.

> Andrew Thurber's body was disinterred and the contents of the stomach analyzed. It was found to con-

By some means the sly wretch got wind of my movements and attempted to fly. At that moment the detectives seized him. Confronted by the terriole proofs, he made a full confession. Before his trial came off he ended his life by swallowing a quantity of

Miss Thurber met with no further obstacles in regaining her rights. Something still more important ha pened to me from my connection with

the case. I wooed and won the beautiful girl for my wife. As Stanley Ferris remarked afterward, I "gained fame and fortune with a rush.'

His Scheme to Win a Girl.

"He was a good fellow," said he, 'but young and without much capital. The girl was a beauty and loved the boy, but the father objected, and demanded that the boy show that he was capable of supporting a wife. This was in St. Louis about ten years ago, and the boy came to me with his troubles.

"'Never mind,' said I. 'I'll fix it up all right. By the way, how much will you take for your right leg?' "He looked at me as though I were

crazy, but made no answer. "'I'll give you \$10,000 for it,' said

I. 'Will you take it?' "'No, I won't,' said he. 'What do you take me for?'

"Well, I knew the girl's father; he was a merchant, and I called to see him. We finally drifted around to talking about this young fellow, and the old man flared a little, stating that he wanted some one who could sup-

port a wife to have his daughter. "'Support a wife,' said I, in surprise; 'why, he certainly can do all Only a few days ago he refused that. \$10,000 for a piece of property.'

"'His own property?' asked the father. 'Certainly,' said I. "'Who offered him the money? asked he.

"'I did, and he refused it,' I answered. 'He claimed it was worth more.

"Well, this made a hit, and no more questions were asked. The boy is doing well now, and has a good family. I haven't spoken to the since."—Washington Times. I haven't spoken to the father

A Cure For Leprosy.

Two dozen specimens of the plant known in Venezuela as the tau tau have been sent from Washington to Hawaii for the purpose of making a test of its alleged power as a cure for leprosy. The plant will be tested at the leprosy hospitals there, where the fact that Mr. Brown was soon to 1073 lepers will afford every facility become wealthy. The man's wily for a thorough trial. Surgeon Carsmile, too, while his friend lay at the michel, of the Marine Hospital, has point of death sickened me, and I was also sent half a dozen bottles of the glad to hurry away. On my return I liquid preparation to Molakai, and met Stanley, and in answer to his in- this will be used for immediate tests while plants will be set out and culti-"A beggarly miser," he exclaimed, vated, with the purpose of providing indignantly. "I'd never believe it unlimited fresh matter for further use. Wonderful stories are current in Ven-It was nearly a week afterward that ezuela about the marvelous curative properties of tua tua when applied to leprosy, and the Government physicians attach considerable importance an twenty, but her beautiful face to the evidence given them. It is the impress of deep grief. In a proposed also to test it in the island of Guan, that tiny speck of Pacific land that came to us with our other Spanish war acquisitions.

"Never be critical upon the ladies," was the maxim of an old Irish peer, She had remarkable for his homage to the sex. "The only way that a true gentleman ever will attempt to look at the faults of a pretty woman is to shut his eyes.' Collier's Weekly.

THE NEWS.

Democratic Governor Beckham, of Kentucky, began the organization of a state guard at Frankfort, to be armed with Winchesters. Republican Governor Taylor's troops at the State Capitol were also reinforced. A clash may occur at any moment. Caleb Powers, Republican secretary of state, arrested at Lexington on the charge of being implicated in the killing of Goebel protests his innocence, and says all he wants is a fair trial. Governor Taylor declares the entire proceeding is a Democratic conspiracy.

Dr. Parkhurst, as president of the Societ for the Prevention of Crime, sent a letter to District Attorney Gardiner telling him to turn his virtuous indignation upon a number of places in New York which are considerably more immoral than Wallack's Theater. Rev. Samuel C. Edsall, missionary bisho; of North Dakota, has been appointed acting

successor to the late Rev. Mahlon N. Gilbert bishop co-adjuter of the Protestant Episco-pal Diocese of Minnesota. Two more hold-ups were reported in Nor folk. In one instance the footpad, Frank Williamson, was arrested by his intended victim, Mr. Parsons, and handed over to the

Captain Mahan has written an article for Leslie's Weekly, dwelling upon the necessity of a large navy for the maintenance of the

Monroe doctrine. Unofficial advices received in Cincinnat from Rome declare that Henry Moeller, chancellor of the archdlocese of Cincinnati, has been appointed Bishop of Columbus. Three more dead bodies were removed

from the Red Ash mine, W. Va., but the bodies of twenty-eight more victims remain William F. Miller the Franklin Syndicate man, was heard in bankruptcy proceedings

in New York. He refused to answer ques-Isaiah Gary, colored, was sent up for six months for attempling to burglarize the residence of Mrs. Jewell at Port Norfolk, Va. Captain B. G. Patterson, member of the Virginia House of Delegates from Rocking-

am county, died in Richmond. Adam Helpner, a wealthy merchant tailor of Grafton, W. Va., committed suicide by leaping into the Valley river.

left Norfolk to search for the missing Spanish steamer Minerva. Philip Kuntz was convicted in Norristown Pa., of manslaughter in causing the death of

Pierce W. Cope. Thomas J. Williams was sentenced in Staunton, Va., to three years in the penitentiary for attempted rape.

Fire did about \$60,000 worth of damage to the factory and warehouses of Samuel Bacon & Sons, in Laurel, Del. R. Garnett Willis died in Fredericksburg,

Va., from the effects of a wound received during the Civil War. Three hundred non-union workmen, under police guard, were put to work on build-

Resolutions were passed by the New York Produce Exchange asking for justice to Puerto Rico. The convention was continued in Cleve-

ings in Chicago.

land, O., of the National Council of Jewish The H. Kyd Douglas Camp, Sons of Veterans, was organized in Shepherdstown

Fire wiped out \$500,000 worth of property in Leads, S. D. The estimate of the number of victims of

the Red Ash mine disaster near Fire Creek W. Va., vary between fifty-two and sixty. Thirty-four were taken from the mine, twenty-nine being dead and five seriously in-

George W. Drake, the famous Keptucky moonshiner detective, and a man named Ford were killed near Torrent, Ky., by William St. John.

A suspected case of bubonic plague de veloped in Chinatown, San Francisco, and that section of the city was quarantined. The National Tube Company, at McKees

port, Pa., advanced the wages of four thousand men ten per cent. Smallpox is carrying off a large percentage of the population in the southern part of

Fire in the retail dry-goods district in Philadelphia caused a loss of \$700,009.

Charles Albright, aged fifteen, was killed by a train near Meyersdale, Pa.

Two hundred and thirty men joined the strikers in Chicago. Over a hundred miners were entombed by an explosion in the Red Ash mine, at Fire

Creek, W. Va., on the south branch of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway. More than thirty dead bodies have been taken out. Congressman Alfred C. Harmer, known as the "Father of the House." who has served thirteen full terms in Congress as rep-

resentative of the Fifth Pennsylvania di trict, died in Philadelphia, at the age of seventy-five years. The grand jury in New York brought in indictments against six men, holding them responsible for disseminating the false rumors that brought about a decline in Brook

lyn Rapid Transit stock. Edward C. Flanagan, who murdered two women, killed one man and attempted the life of another, was tried, convicted and ntenced numerous times, died in prison at

Atlanta Ga. The strike of thirty electric crane men at the works of the Pressed Steel Car Company in Pittsburg, Pa., threw a thousand men out

Proceedings were instituted in Brooklyn against the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company by Robert L. Cutting, on behalf of the stockholders of the Staten Island Rapid Transit Rallway Company.

Police Magistrate Mott in New York held Olga Nethersole, Hamilton Revelle, Marcus Mayer and Theodore Moss for trial on the charge of presenting an immoral play ("Sapho") at Wallack's Theater. Cecil Leslie, advertising agent of the

Franklin Syndicate, was arrested in Brooklyn on two charges of conspiracy and grand larceny, and plead not guilty. . The holder of one share of the stock of the Blackwell-Durham Company prevents its sale to the American Tobacco Company.

One hundred thousand dollars was given to New York University for the building of a Hall of Fame for Great Americans. A broken rail threw a passenger train over an embankment near Huntington, Pa. The

conductor was killed and a number of passen-

Miss Alice Connelly was found unconscious in her home in Norfolk, Va., having been attacked by some unknown burglar. Edward R. Holder, a New York broker, failed, his liabilities being \$279.455. The Governor of West Virginia pardoned

Henry B. Christie, a life prisoner.
The Independent Window Glass Association has given up the struggle.

The Democrats, Populists and Silver Republicans of Kansas held a meeting to settle their differences as to the State offices and get together for the State campaign.

LOTS CAST.

CONSPIRACY ALLEGED TO HAVE DE-TERMINED ON GOEBEL'S DEATH.

25 MEN WERE CONCERNED.

Drew Beans From a Box, it is Said, the Black Bean Being the Fatal Pawn-Governor Beckham Has Organized a Rival State Guard-Militia Flocking to Frankfort-Mountaineers Coming.

Frankfort, Ky., (Special.)—A letter received by State's Attorney Robert B. Franklin says that Bransfield Bertram, Sheriff of Breckinridge county, who recently died of pneumonia, revealed on his death bed a plot of which he had knowledge to murder William Goebel.

According to the story 25 men drew lots to determine who should do the killing. Twenty-five beans, 24 white and 1 black, were placed in a box and each of the 25 men drew a bean. The man getting the black bean agreed beforehand to kill the Democratic aspirant for Governor.

The plot was revealed, it is said, and several persons warned Goebel that he would be killed if he exposed himself in public. The warnings were not heeded. Detectives, it is said, have been working on the clue given by the letter, but it is not known whether they have succeeded in securing definite

The first move on the part of J. C. W. Beckham's followers toward the formation of a State guard under his administration was taken when City Clerk Ben Marshall circulated a paper and enlisted the requisite number of men who are to compose a new com-pany. The guns for this company have been provided by citizens here, most of them

eing either needle guns or Winchesters. In the afternoon a report gained currency that Taylor had given his soldiers orders to arrest Beckham and other officers of the Democratic State Government. On account of this report the men collisted by Captain Marshall were assembled at the City Hall, armed and sworn in as special police for the purpose of protecting the Democratic officers who are still quartered at the Capital Hotel.

Taylor Gets Reinforcements. Taylor's soldiers, who are or guard at the State House, were reinforced by the arrival The revenue service steamer Onondage of the Barbourville company, of 71 men, all

of whom are fully armed and equipped. Col. David R. Murray, of Clover Point. has been appointed by Beckham assistant Adjutant-General with the rank of Colonel, and he was sworn in.

Harlan Whittaker and W. H. Culton, who were confined in jail here, charged with comp leity in the assassination of Goebel, were removed from the jail and taken in a hack to Shelbyville, where they were placed on a train and sent to Louisville under a heavy guard. It is understood they will be kept in the Louisville jall till the April term of the Circuit Court, when they will be returned

The military authorities here refused to permit the local police and civil offices to en-ter the Executive building for the purpose of arresting Secretary of State Caleb Powers and Capt. John W. Davis, charged with be-

In the morning City Marshai Richardson applied at the Executive building and demanded to be admitted for the purpose of arresting Powers and Davis, was turned back, and the warrants were then turned over to Sheriff Suter. The Sheriff also presented sented himself at the Executive building and demanded admittance. He was referred by the officer in charge to Colonel Morrow, and the latter, being found, said: "I am sorry, Mr. Sheriff, but it is against

Governor Taylor's orders to let anyone into the building to-day."

The Executive Mansion was watched all day by a large number of deputies, but no

attempt was made to enter by force. When the Chesapeake and Ohio eastbound train pulled in from Louisville a dozen policemen and half as many deputies were at the station to see if either Davis or Powers attempted to board it.

"All aboard!" called out the conductor. and the train started off. As it did so a soldler dashed from the corner on the opposite side from the station and, throwing himself upon the platform of the second car, jerked the bell cord, and the train came to a stop. Then quick as a flash 30 soldiers, with Powers and Davis in their midst, each in regulation full-dress uniform, instantly rushed upon the cars. Lieutenant-Colonel

Morrow in charge of the squad. "Anything the matter?" inquired the con ductor, as he peered out and saw the bluecoats piling on the train. "No, nothing the matter unless you delay this train here, responded a soldier, and with another jerk of the rope the train was off and the men speeding toward Lexington as fast as steam

could carry them.

A reward of \$1,500 for the arrest of Powers and Davis was offered by Justus Goebel and Arthur Goebel, brothers of the late

W. S. Taylor has issued a long statement in which he says he has issued pardons to

ment accused of complicity in William Goe-LEFT BUT \$1,000.

everyone connected with the State Govern-

The Dead Hero, Lawton, Could Fight

Better Than Save. Washington, (Special.)—Letters of admin-istration were issued to Mrs. Mary C. Lawton in the matter of the estate of her deceased husband, Maj.-Gen. Henry W. Lawton.

Mrs. Lawton set forth in her petition for

the letters that she had madediligent search

and inquiry for a will of the deceased and had not found any or obtained any information that he left or made one. Those entitled to the estate, it is explained, are the four children of the deceased General. The petition sets forth that at the time of his death the only personal estate of General Lawton consisted of his accumulated

pay as an officer of the army, amounting to

about \$1.000. Two Killed and One Escaped. Trenton, N. J., (Special.)—Three men were struck by a train on the Philadelphia and Reading Railway near Hopewell. Two of them were killed and the third had a miraculous escape from death.

Killed His Brother-in-Law. Sioux City, Ia., (Special.)-Christ. Bauer was killed by Ernest Myers, his brother-inlaw, thirty miles east of here. Both men are farmers. Bauer met death in defending his mother, with whom Myers had picked a

quarrel. Myers had been drinking,

Thirteen Firms Burned Out. Redfield, Ia., (Special.)-Fire in the business portion of this town completely wiped out all the business houses on the south side of Main street. The loss is estimated at about \$20,000, only partially covered by insurance. Thirteen firms were burned out. The origin of the fire is unknown.

LEAVING CAPE COLONY.

The Boers are Retreating From All of That Section-Gen. Brabant Attacks Them

London, Eng., (By Cable.)—The Boers are evacuating all of Northern Cape Colony, carrying their guns and supplies with them, A force remains at Norval's point, presumably to oppose a British advance across the Orange river there. General Brabant, commanding a division of colonial troops, attacked a force of Boers at Labuschagnes nek, on the road from Dordrecht to Jamestown. Labuschagnes nek is about 35 miles northeast of Sterkstroom. General Brabant, it is stated, gained three positions, and as night closed was facing Boers posted on an opposite hill. The British loss was six killed and 18 wounded.

Fighting has begun to the eastward of Osfontein, in the Orange Free State, where Lord Roberts' main army is stationed. General French, with a large mounted force, found Boers intrenched in a strong position on a kopje and fighting was in progress when the last message was sent. Reinforcements are reaching Lord Roberts daily. A London cablegram says his army must number between 50,000 and 60,000 men, if not more. General Baller's forces in Natal numbers 40,000. Good judges in London now place

the total force of Boers in the field at 51,000. All or part of the Transvaal Boers who recently faced General Buller in Natal are retreating to Biggarsberg, 38 miles north of Ladysmith. A British force will march through Zululand and try to intercept them north of Biggarsberg. Some of the Free Staters have retired to Van Reenen's Pass, and the mass of troops from both republics is believed to be assembling at Winburg, 70

miles northeast of Bloemfontein. It is officially announced at Bloemfontein that "General Cronje, with from 2,000 to 3,000 men, surrendered owing to scarcity of food and ammunition." A Cape Town dispatch states that the Boer prisoners captured at Paardeberg make a total of 4,660. The difference in the figure may be accounted for if the Cape Town total is taken to represent not only those captured with Cronje February 27, but the others captured in the operations which ended in Cronje's sur-

Dr. W. J. Leyds, European diplomatic agent of the Transvaal, authorizes a denial of the report that he received news that Mafeking had been relieved.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

Opposition to the Emperor's bill for an increase in the navy is increasing in the Reich-

The trouble between the French Canadians and the English in Montreal continues threat-Mr. Robert J. Buchanan, secretary of the

to President Loubet the first of the Lafayette souvenir dollars. The Montreal Express, on the Canadian Pacific, went down an embankment, near

Lafayette Monument Commission, presented

Burkton and a number of passengers were injured. The influenza is now raging in Paris, President Loubet, Cardinal Richard and

The University of Edinburg will confer the degree of doctor of laws upon United States Ambassador Choate. Charles Eagleton was sent up for five

years in London for bigamy. He admitted having six wives. The German schooner Ida foundered off Dungeness. All but two of the crew were drowned.

The Prince and Princess of Wales opened the big new tenement buildings in London. The secret instructions issued by the Prussian Minister of the Interior were that no statistical information about the contraven-

tion of the food adulteration law should be given the American consuls. The British punitive expedition sent to avenge the murder of two commissioners in

the Monghern district, Burmah, killed 80 villagers and burned 2,000 houses, The Russian government, it is said, will lease a Persian harbor on terms similar to those of the lease of Port Arthur.

Lady Louise Madeleina Tighe, who danced at the famous ball in Brussels, died at Woodstock, County Kilkenny. The German Reichstag passed the third reading of the motion to repeal the so-called

'dictatorship paragraph" in force in Alsace-Lorraine. Major McBride, who raised an Irish brigale for the Boers, was defeated in his contest to succeed Michael Davitt in Parlia-

The German battleship Sachseon stranded near Kiel, and in attempting to lighten the varship one of her guns was lost. During a carnival procession at Caracas,

Venezuela, an ineffectual attempt was made to shoot President Castro. Paul Deschanel, president of the French Chamber of Deputies, in a speech in Paris spoke warningly against demonstrations of

Anglophobia. King Oscar of Sweden expresses the hope that the wars in South Africa and the Philippines will soon be ended. The new Swedish Minister of Foreign Affairs strenuously opposes the demand of the Norwegians for separate minister of foreign affairs and

separate representation abroad. FIELD OF LABOR.

Chicago may export coal. Philadelphia has 195 unions. Japan cooks earn \$2.50 per week. Austria's 90,000 coal miners struck New York is to have a pie trust. Japan cotton mills are consolidatina. Boston has 12,500 municipal employees. Alabama is to have a State federation. New York ate last year 977,289,120 eggs. Griffin, Ga., is to have a \$20,000 knitting

America has seventeen oleomargarine fac-New York has a co-operative cigarette makers' union. The United States and Canada contain

100,000 coal miners. Providence carpenters will demand the eight-hour day. New York unionists want a "labor-law an forcement inspector."

During the past four years 120,000,000 union hat labe's have been used. The Iron Molders' Union of New York worth \$35,000 and has 8,000 members. Ohio's legislature killed a paper that required equal pay for men and women. Tarnpool, Austria, has a municipal bak-

ery, and sells bread at cost price to citizens.

Dresden, Germany, publishes a daily

paper, and all profits are spent on public Leeds, England, has city ownership of slaughterbouse and meat market costing

AGUINALDO'S MOB.

SENOR LALA BLAMES ANTI-IMPER IALISTS FOR BLOODSHED.

MEETS LEAGUE OFFICIALS.

War Prolonged by the Documents Sen Out to the Islands-The Rebel Chieftain Reads Them to His Soldiers and Declares That the Americans Want Him to Con

Boston, Mass., (Special.)-Ramon Reyes Lala, a native of Manila, who is lecturing on the Philippines, visited the office of the Anti-Imperialist League by request of Sec-retary Irving Winslow. William Lloyd Gar-

rison was also present. The three had a long talk, after which Mr. Lain said that he and his new formed acquaintances could hardly agree on a single

During the conversation Mr. Lala told the Boston men that Aguinaldo's following is among the uneducated, and that he fills these people with stories, making them bebelieve that if they accept American government they will only return to Spanish oppression. Mr. Lala further said:

"Aguinaldo is assisted by the anti-imperfalists in this country. These latter he blames for the bloodshed in the Philippines. They have sent documents to that country and these are published in the Filipino

'Aguinaldo reads them and shows them to his followers with the statement: 'I told you that the Americans want us to continue the

war.' As a result, the poor fellows continue OLD TROOPS RETURNING.

Those Longest in Philippines Are to Relieved.

Washington, (Special.)-The War Department has taken the initial steps towards renovating the military forces in the Philippines by returning in small detachments the troops who have seen longest service there and re placing them by recruits raised in this

The movement began last week, when instructions were sent to General Otis to pick out a battalion from each of three regiments which had been longest in the Philippines, namely, the Fourteenth, Eighteenth and Twenty-third Infantry and return them to the United States. The Eighteenth Infantry is scattered through the Island of Panay, the Twenty-third is in the Islands of Cebu and Jolo and

out for return will be those whose term of enlistment are about to expire or those broken in health. While General Otis has not yet signified what force he requires to compensate for the withdrawal of these three battalions, the department is proceeding on the assumption that the recruits gathered in New York ready to leave for Manila on the Sumner

the Fourteenth is at Manila. The men picked

when that transport is completed will

TROOPS CALLED FOR. Generals Young and Hood Ask for Reinforcements-Rebels Attack

Aparri Town. Manila, (By Cable.)-Generals Young and Hood are asking for reinforcements, and a battalion of the Forty-eighth Regiment has been sent to Aparri. Other troops will follow. The rebels, recently, persistently attacked Aparri for several bours, but were finally driven away. Details of the affair

are lacking. The rebels are holding reunions in the Province of North Ilocos, and the Red Kati-punan Cross, sympolic of resistance, is again appearing among the natives. It is believed that the insurgent generals, Tino and Flores,

have been driven by General Young into General Hood's district south of Aparri The fact that General Young is unable. owing to lack of troops, to maintain garrisons in all the towns occupied has had a bad effect on the natives.

General Bates has returned here after leaving garrisons in the provinces of North and South Camarines. The expedition lost seven men killed and ten wounded. On entering New Caceres. Province of South Camarines, General Bates learned that 2,000 insurgents had departed the same day. The Americans immediately sent out three pursuing columns, encountering the enemy in three small engagements and killing a total of 40 men.

The Spanish prisoners report that the enemy has divided into small bands in the mountains under the leadership of General Legaspi. The town of Iriga has been burned by the enemy. Both provinces were thor-oughly scouted. The inhabitants of the district of Libmanan, including Abella, the provincial Governor, and other officials, are returning to their homes. Abella has issued a proclamation calling upon the natives to submit to the Americans.

Liberated priests from New Caceres report that the insurgents killed 68 Chinamen and 40 Spaniards at the town of Calabanga It is estimated that there are 100,000 bales of hemp in the Camarines provinces. Twelve hundred well-armed insurgents,

formerly of Cavite Province, with a Chinese general in command, surround the towns of Albay and Legaspi. They have effected three night attacks and continually harass the Forty-seventh Regiment, which has los 8 men killed and 20 wounded in defending

COMMITTED SUICIDE.

Tragic Death of F. M. Reynolds at Parsons, W. Va.

Parsons, W. Va., (Special.)-F. M. Reynolds, a prominent lumber dealer of this town, committed suicide in the office of his mill at Thomas. He cut his throat with a knife, and only lived a shorttime. No cause is assigned for the deed.

Circuit Court is in session. At this term will come up the celebrated Kerns case. Fred D. Kerns was tried at the June term of the Circuit Court here for the murder of Miss Lucy Dey, in Davis, last April. He was convicted of murder in the first degree and sentenced to the penitentiary for life. The Supreme Court reversed this verdict, and now the case is back for a new trial

Pompton, N. J., (Special.)-The Smith Fuse Manufactory at this place blew up and four persons were killed and a number more

The killed are: John Rhoda, William Cadnus, William H. Talmage, John Merritt, s They were at work in the factory with

the four persons killed were badly mangled, and some of them blown to pieces. Percy Jacobus was blown into the river and badly hurt.

about 30 other men and girls. The bodies of

BOERS DRIVEN BACK.

Lord Roberts Reports Successful Operations-Gen. French Did the Hardest Part of the Fighting.

London, (By Cable.)—The War Office has just posted the following advices from Lord Roterts: "Poplar Grove, Wednesday.-We had a

very successful day and have completely routed the enemy, who are in full retreat.

"The position which they occupied is extremely string and cunningly arranged with

a second line of intrenchments, which would have caused us heavy loss had a direct attack been made "The turning movement was necessarily wide, owing to the nature of the ground, and the cavalry and horse artillery horses

are much done up. "The fighing was practically confined to the cavalry division, which, as usual, did exceedingly well, and General French reports that the horse artillery batteries did great

execution among the enemy.
"Our casualties were about fifty. I regret
to say that Lieutenant Keswick was killed and Lieutenant Bailey was severely wounded, both of the Twelfth Lancers. Lieutenant De Crespigny, of the Second Life Guards, was severely wounded. Remaining casual-ties will be telegraphed later.

"Generals Dewet and Delarey commanded the Boer forces." Earlier in the day, in a despatch to the

War Office, announcing his intended attack

on the Boers, Lord Roberts had given the following as the disposition of the forces: "The enemy occupied a position four miles north and eleven miles south of the modder River. I placed General Colville's division on the north bank and General Kelly-Kenny's and Tucker's divisions, with cavalry, on the south bank. The cavalry division succeeded in turning the enemy's left flank, opening a road for the Sixth Division, which is advence ing without having been obliged to fire a shot up to the present time. The enemy are in full retreat towards the north and east. They are being closely followed by cavalry, horse artillery and mounted infantry, while Tucker's Seventh Division, Colville's Ninth Division and the Guards brigade, under Pole-Carew, are making their way across the

place my headquarters." A MILLION LOST BY A FIRE.

river at Poplars Drift, where I propose to

Disastrous Conflagration in the Dr. Goods District in Philadelphia. Philadelphia, (Special.)—A fire entailing an estimated loss of over \$700,000 occurred in the retail dry goods district. The confiagration originated in the engine room of Shoneman Bros., dry goods and millinery store, at Eighth and Arch streets engine room was in the basement center of the structure. It is said the the fire was being drawn from the furnaces sparks communicated with some waste paper, and the little blaze spread with as-

onishing rapidity to the upper floors. This was at 7:15 o'clock, and the en ployes had not yet arrived. A general ala vas sounded, but all efforts to save building were fruitless, and it was I. The loss is placed at \$300,000. Mark dry goods store, adjoining, was part aged by smoke and water, and their estimated loss of \$300,000. The Si building was four stories and Marks five stories in height.

The flames spread to the six-story building on Cherry street occupied by Meyerhoff Bros., manufacturers of women's and children's clothing, and the Philadelphia Electrical Equipment Company. Nothing was left of this place but the walis, and the loss is placed at \$200,000. Several smaller buildings were more or less seriously damaged. About 1,500 persons, men, women and

ebildren, were thrown out of employment by the fire.

ANOTHER STEEL COMPANY. One Incorporated at Charlestown With a Capital of One Million.

Charlestown, W. Va., (Special.)-A steel concern was incorporated here with a subscribed capital of \$1,000,000, of which \$100,000 is already paid up. The incorpo tors are James N. Vance, John D. Cr son and Frank J. Hearn, all of W and Arthur F. Luke and Edmund verse, of New York. The main office of the company will be at Wheeling, and the company will begin at once the manufacture of steel and iron. Charters have also been issued to the Ideal Mutual Improvement Company, of Huntington, with an authorized capital of \$50,000. The incorporators are P. Q. Payne and N. H. Gordon, of Huntington; D. Stratton, of St. Albans, W. A. Harper and W. W. Tackle, of Winchester, Ky. The Morgantown Bridge and Investment Company, of Morgantown, with an authorized capital of \$250,000. The incorporators

are all of Morgantown.

The Loss Will Reach Fifty Thousand Dollars. Parkersburg, W. Va., (Special.) - The town of Elizabeth, Wirt county, narrowly escaped

TIRE AT ELIZABETH.

being wiped out by fire Sunday. About 4 o'clock A. M., fire broke out in the rear of Mrs. Sayre's millinery store and spread rapidly throughout a row of buildings opposite the courthouse, including Filme's jewelry store, the Elizabeth Drug Company's establishment, the general stores of Gray Bros. and the grocery of R. E. Woodhard. These structures, together with their contents, were destroyed. The buildings were the property of Mrs. Kendall. There is no fire department at Elizabeth, and the flames were fought by a bucket brigade. Just after the fire broke out the authorities of this city were telephoned for and had the city fire engines and men all ready to start or the scene on a special train on the Little Kanawha Valley Railroad when word was received that the fire was under control.

The loss is estimated at \$50,000. A World's Record Broken. Minneapolis, Minn., [(Special.)-Charles Hanson, a Swede, lifted 560 pounds with one finger without a harness. The accomplishment of this feat breaks the world's record for one-finger lift, 5531/2 pounds, lifted in Chicago, May 7, 1896, by Louis Cyr, a Frenchman. Hansen now claims the world's championship for the one-finger lift, and will de-

KILLED AT LAST.

end his title against all comers.

George Drake, Famous Mountain Detec tive, Shot by Old Enemy. Lexington, Ky., (Special.)-George W.

ex-deputy United States Marshal, and a man named Ford were shot to death near Torent, Ky., by William St. John. It is reported to be the result of bad feeling of long standing between Drake and

St. John. Drace is said to have run dow moonshiners and criminals in the m of Eastern Kentucky than any oth